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SUBJ: GOC AUTHORIZES REFUGEE CENTER

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED CIRCULAR LETTER DATED JAN 22 SIGNED BY SAMUEL NALEGACH, EX. DIR. OF INTERDENOMINATIONAL NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR REFUGEES (COMAR), REPORTING GOC APPROVAL OF DECREE NO.1698 WHICH AUTHORIZES COMMITTEE TO OPERATE A REFUGEE CENTER FOR FOREIGNERS "IN IRREGULAR SITUATION" IN CONJUNCTION WITH UNHCR. COMMITTEE'S NAME IS CHANGED TO "COMMITTEE TO AID FOREIGNERS" (COMISION DE AYUDA A LOS EXTRANJEROS -CALEX). CALEX IS ALSO EMPOWERED TO ACCEPT AT ITS CENTER CHILEAN FAMILY MEMBERS OF A HEAD OF FAMILY (PRESUMABLY EITHER CHILEAN AND OR A THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS) WHO IS "OUT OF CHILE AND UNABLE TO EFFECT THEIR TRAVEL TO PLACE WHERE HE RESIDES."

2. DECREE HAS NOT YET APPEARED IN DIARIO OFICIAL AND THEREFORE HAS NOT LEGALLY GONE INTO EFFECT.

3. COMMENT. COMAR HAS HAD A MANDATE FROM GOC SINCE SHORTLY AFTER 1973 COUP TO ASSIST FOREIGN REFUGEES IN CHILE. THIS PROBLEM WAS BASICALLY SOLVED SOME TIME AGO, ALTHOUGH A FEW LOOSE ENDS REMAINS. EXPANSION INTO REUNITING CHILEAN FAMILY MEMBERS WITH HEADS OF HOUSEHOLDS DOVETAILS WITH UNHCR'S PLANS AND GIVES CALEX CONFIRMS THAT CHANGE FROM COMAR TO CALEX IS CHANGE OF NAME ONLY AND WILL NOT AFFECT COMMITTEE'S PERSONNEL OR OPERATIONS.

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